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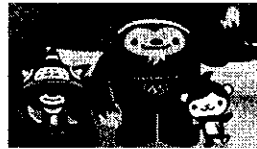
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# Ripples

## The Olympics Torch Is Coming To South River

The Olympics will soon be held in Vancouver, British Columbia and the official torch will be coming to South River on December 30th. Don't miss out on this opportunity to see the

torch before it gets to the opening ceremonies. The torch will arrive in our community around 4:30 p.m. and will stop at the municipal office at 63 Marie Street.



The Olympic Torch is coming to our town on December 30th. Come see for yourself after a free skate at the arena.

### Special points of interest:

- The municipal office is now 'Fragrance-Free'. In respect of personal sensitivities, remember "no scents makes good sense".
- Regular curbside garbage and recycling collection will take place as usual during the holidays. There will be no change in the collection schedule as a result of the statutory holidays.
- Wash your hands! Do it regularly and well-20 seconds with warm water and soap. Beat the seasonal bug!
- There will only be one Council meeting in December due to the holiday. The next meeting will be held on December 14th at 5:30 p.m.

### Legion Dinner Of Champions

The South River Legion Branch 390 is hosting a

**Spaghetti Dinner on December 30th from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

*Stop in for a bite to eat and share in the enthusiasm after a thrilling afternoon.*

*Proceeds to support Canadian Forces Troop Morale.*

\$6 Adults ◊ \$4 Children (12 yrs old and under)

## FREE Family Holiday Skating

Saturday, December 19th	2 - 4 P.m.	Thursday, December 31st	10 - 12 noon
Sunday, December 20th	1 - 3 p.m.	Friday, January 1st	1 - 3 p.m.
Monday, December 21st	1 - 3 p.m.	<b>NEW YEAR'S PARTY</b>	
Tuesday, December 22nd	1 - 3 p.m.	<b>FREE Hot Chocolate! FREE Popcorn!</b>	
Wednesday, December 23rd	1 - 3 p.m.	<b>Free Hot Dog! Fun for the whole family!</b>	
Thursday, December 24th	10 - 12 noon	<i>Hosted by Township of Machar and Village of South River</i>	
Sunday, December 27th	1 - 3 p.m.	Saturday, January 2nd	2 - 4 p.m.
Monday, December 28th	1 - 3 p.m.	Sunday, January 3rd	1 - 3 p.m.
Tuesday, December 29th	1 - 3 p.m.	<b>Thanks to local businesses for their kind sponsorship of this holiday ice time!</b>	
Wednesday, December 30th	1 - 3 p.m.		

*(Be sure to check out the torch after your skate.)*

Season's Greetings  
from Council & Staff

## tree Christmas Needle Pick-up

Many of us enjoy the smell of a fresh Christmas tree in our home. However, that joy is eventually replaced by the nuisance of having to clean up the needles from the floor. Once you've reached

this point, it's time to remove your tree from your house. Christmas trees will be picked up by Public Works staff on Monday, January 4, 2010, following the holiday season. To make use of this

convenient service, have your tree at the curb first thing on the morning of January 4, 2010.

Remember to water your tree and use extra caution with candles.

### Holiday Office Hours

The South River Municipal office will close at 12:00 noon on Thursday, December 24th. The office will reopen on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 8:30 a.m.

### Nominations Open

We are approaching an election year and nominations open January 4, 2010.

### Holiday Garbage Collection Schedule

Regular curbside garbage and recycling collection will take place as usual. There will be no change in the collection schedule as a result of the holidays. Your new 2009 Recycling Calendar will be in your mailbox shortly.

### Complaint Department, Can We Help You?

Yes that's right, we want to hear from you. Although we don't have an official complaint department, we do have a new and improved way of resolving issues that may be problematic to residents.

The Village of South River now has an official complaint form for you to use. This form is used to resolve issues and kept on file to monitor municipal services. All complaint forms must be signed. Your time and sincerity is appreciated as we strive to make the best use of our resources.

You can pick up a complaint form at the municipal office or download it from our website by visiting: [www.southriverontario.com](http://www.southriverontario.com), you can find the form under the 'services' tab.

### Winter Parking and Plowing

We are blessed with a white blanket of snow every winter. When the weather dictates, our public works staff start in the wee hours of the morning to maintain local roads and walkways. They work as quickly as possible, so please be patient while they work their way through their routes around town.

Please also be tolerant of the residual snow that comes off the snow removal equipment. Staff make their best effort to avoid

having residual snow fall onto your property whenever possible. The municipality does not have the resources to clean out residential driveways. Please be advised that snow and ice build up at the end of your driveway is your responsibility. Some tips for making seasonal shoveling a little easier:

- Don't wait until the snow builds up, shovel regularly.
- Make use of local business people who plow and shovel driveways for a living.

- When shoveling, dress properly (layers), take a break when you're tired and...
- Lift with your knees!

Please remember sidewalks are for pedestrians, not snowmobiles.

Do not block sidewalks and roadsides between the hours of 12 a.m. and 7 a.m. from November 1 to April 15 to allow for snow removal. Any vehicle obstructing snow removal duties will be towed at the expense of the owner.

*Please drive carefully!*